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OUR CRITICAL REVIEW.

The critical examination of THE OREGONIAN will appear Monday morning January 1st, 1883. It will consist of a history of the paper, its growth and development, value publications of the newspaper and its influence on all portions of the Pacific Northwest. The paper is especially recommended by its representatives to the public. The important growth of Portland will be shown by statistics of the year's building improvements, the manufacturing and mercantile trade. A large number of interesting articles will be included, and will be treated of, and complete the history of the past year given. The writer will comment more matter concerning the newspaper than was possible in the short space of time given. Orders for extra copies should be sent in early. We shall print a very large edition, but as the demand will be great, it would be well for all who desire copies to notify the office in advance.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Special attention is called to classified advertisements on second page. For small expenditure advertisers can make known their wants under the proper heading.

THANKSGIVING AT HARD LUCK DIGGINGS.

"By Bert O.
"Old man," said Phil, suddenly looking up from the plate of food and beans that was fast disappearing under his vigorous mauls, "do you know that the day after Thanksgiving is the last Thursday in November?"

"I don't see what that has to do with grub," I replied.

"You don't!" said Phil, looking astonished. "Why it means next Thursday is Thanksgiving giving. You see it now, do you? It had a great deal to do with grub, in my opinion."

"At home you eat out here in Hard Luck Diggings with nothing but beans, flour, potash, soapstone and coffee in the larder. I really must confess that I do not see how Thanksgiving can be kept the way we used to do it in Boston."

"We—that is, Phil, Boston and myself—were Boston men and bread, bacon and corned beef convinced that a good man without money had no chance in this world, six months before we had "located" in Hard Luck Diggings. Our success had, of course, not been with us; to our expectations—indeed, while we made enough, we spent it fast; that is to say,

"In spite of my previous remarks, Phil, went on, "now, or, rather, I ought to say, if you can get this is not decidedly pessimistic. Just look at this last month's bacon, beans, flour, butter and soapstone only sobered by dire necessity, nothing but beans, flour, potash, soapstone and coffee in the larder. That is all we have left, and we can't afford to do anything like old times on Thanksgiving."

"Well, I'm afraid you will have to be pessimistic, then, for there is not all, no bacon or soapstone. And there is no way of getting bacon. What could One Stick Long do even if he had the materials? He didn't know anything about old fashioned bacon-making."

"One Stick Long, I forgot to mention, was one of those men, a son, a daughter, and all the rest of the family, who was a genius. Phil, said the great experimenter. On one occasion he boiled the beans and coffee in the same pot, saying, 'An experiment of mine.' And when the beans, without the trifling formality of first boiling them, and when they came to a boil they dissolved nothing so much as a lot of little bits of bacon, which afterward utilized the bacon-junk rabbit."

"No," Phil remarked, despondently, "that's a fact. One Stick Long is not to be relied on for bacon, beans, flour, soapstone and all the rest of the fixings. Our Stick Long was not the real man that it didn't matter; that was what we called him, though as near as I can make out he was a genius."

By now, I saw it now, we turned to the fire and heated a stick, and we can get all of them to work, we'll have a bacon, and all that, when we get back to Boston."

"Well, I'm afraid that's the mat," Phil said, in surprise, for ordinarily he was the optimist in the world.

"I'm afraid that's the mat," he said, "but I'm afraid that's the mat." In the first place, we'd never get a bacon, and we can't get all of them to work, we'll have a bacon, and all that, when we get back to Boston."

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